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In re application of

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For: Process for the treatment of stillage generated by

distillation tequila industry

CLAIM OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND REQUEST FOR REFUND

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby claim Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27.

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Respectfully submitted,

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